

Capitol



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THE GREAT WESTERN "MILLION DOLLAR" STAIRCASE (two pictures) -Artisans labored over five years to create intricate calvings ornamenting the world's most unique staircase. The portraits of seventy-seven famous figures of New York and American history are carved in stone along with many curious imps, angels and at least one "devil."



THE SENATE CHAMBER—This room is considered to be one of the world's most beautiful legislative chambers.



CASE CLOCK — In the Senate lobby stands one of the Senate's two superby handcarved case clocks originally installed in 1881. Another is located inside the Senate Chamber and still keeps the official time for New York State Senators.



STAINED GLASS WIN-DOW — This unique stained glass window, featuring the New York State Seal, is located in the Assembly lobby.



THE MILITARY MUSEUM - On display in glass enclosed cases are many interesting exhibits and artifacts reflecting New York State's participation in past wars.



THE FLAG ROOM The colors and battle stand ards of famous New York State Regiments are displayed here along with two pre-Civil War artillery pieces.



THE ASSEMBLY CHAMBER - Here is another magnificent legislative room, this one designed in Gothic architecture with oriental influence. Your guide will provide some interesting information concerning its ceiling.



RED ROOM—The Red Room, or Executive Chamber is the Governor's Office of State. It is used for cabinet meetings, public hearings, and ceremonial occasions. On the mahogany paneled walls are portraits of several former Governors, including a full-length portrait of George Clinton, the State's first Governor. A famous portrait of General Lafayette painted by Charles Ingham in 1825 is also exhibited in this room.



Welcome to your historic Capitol

AS GOVERNOR of the State of New York, it is a pleasure to welcome you on your tour of this historic Capitol Building.

All New Yorkers should visit their Capitol in Albany to gain perspective and insight into the history of the Empire State which only a personal visit can afford.

Our State Capitol, under construction for more than thirty years, has served as the center of New York State government since 1879. Laws advancing social and economic progress were first enacted within its walls, and they have served as guideposts for similar legislation in other states and in Washington.

You are always welcome in your State Capitol.

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GUIDED TOUR CENTER — Your tour begins at the Guided Tour Center located in the State Street lobby of the Capitol. The Tour Supervisor will present a brief tour orientation prior to departure of your tour group and introduce you to your Capitol Guide.

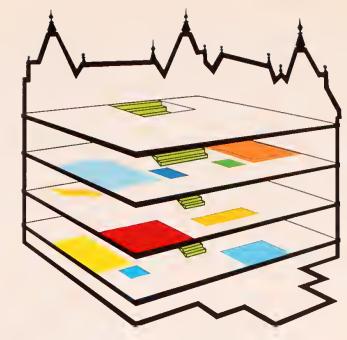


DIAGRAM OF CAPITOL — The color keys appearing with the tour photographs in this booklet will locate each point of interest on the above schematic plan of the Capitol Building.

YOUR GUIDES — The Capitol Guides are qualified junior, senior and graduate students from the State University of New York at Albany, working part time. Trained and supervised by the Office of General Services these students have been organized to provide visitors to the Capitol with guide service.



COLUMBUS — This bust of Christopher Columbus by Ferrucci Vezzoni, is exhibited in the State Street lobby near the Guided Tour Center.



Planning your visit

Guided tours of the building are available, free of charge, according to the following schedule:

NOVEMBER 1 THROUGH APRIL 3D — Monday through Friday, on the hour, from 10:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. — Sat., 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon.

MAY 1 TO MEMORIAL DAY — Monday through Saturday, on the hour, from 10:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

MEMORIAL DAY THROUGH LABOR DAY — Seven days a week, including holidays, every half-hour, from 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

LABOR DAY THROUGH OCTOBER 31—Monday through Saturday, on the hour, from 10:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

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